

FLORIDA'S COAST WILL BE DEFENDED.

Dry Tortugas and Key West
to Be Fortified Against
a Sea Attack.

Former Commands the Gulf and
Would Make an Admirable
Coaling Station.

Deep Water is There, Too, in Which
Uncle Sam's Fleet Could Be
Safely Gathered.

COLONEL HAINES'S INVESTIGATION.

He Will Make a Thorough Examination of
Both Places to Learn What Steps Must
Be Taken to Strengthen Them.

Washington, Nov. 19.—Colonel Peter Haines, now stationed at Baltimore as chief of the South Atlantic division of public works, under the engineer corps of the army, will leave shortly for the southern coast of Florida for the purpose of making a thorough inspection of Key West and Dry Tortugas, with a view to reporting upon the best plan for fortifying these places against approach by sea.

In view of the threatening aspect of affairs with Spain and the proximity of the Cuban coast to that of Florida, the shifting of the scene of the labors of the engineers to the southern coast line is significant. Although Dry Tortugas was omitted in the Endicott report, the Engineer Corps has come to the conclusion that this island, the most extreme point of land off the Florida coast, is a point of vital importance and too long neglected by the Government.

KEY WEST'S DRAWBACKS.

While Key West has been fortified to a certain extent, and while the plans of the Board contemplate a furtherance of that work, army engineers and naval officers point out the very important fact that that port cannot become available as a rendezvous, not only because it is a shallow station without the expenditure of vast sums of money and much valuable time, which, in an emergency, cannot be taken. None of the big warships can enter the port on account of the shallowness of the water, and when it has become necessary to coal at Key West the fuel has had to be carried to the warships in lighters.

The superiority of Dry Tortugas over Key West is known to every naval officer who has ever done duty in the Gulf or the South Atlantic. There is an abundance of water even up to the very sundown of the old harbor is protected from storm by an enormous reef, and an enormous fleet could safely ride at anchor under the guns of the batteries that the engineers expect to have erected. The water is not less than nine fathoms deep at any spot, and three channels afford ample means for getting in and out of the harbor.

The tender of the Light House Board has been secured for Colonel Haines, in which to make the passage from Key West, and he expects to make an exhaustive investigation of the old fort and ascertain what

steps are necessary to construct a coaling station at Dry Tortugas. The latter is only about sixty miles from Cuba, and every vessel leaving or entering the Gulf and passing up the Atlantic coast must come within the range of the glasses of a look-out on that island. With a modern fortification here, two cruisers, aided by the land guns, could command the passage and control the commerce that passes through that narrow strip of water.

HARRELL CAN'T GET BAIL.

Sunday School Teacher Who Deals in Art
Still Behind the Bars
at Ludlow.

Claudius E. Harrell is in Ludlow Street Jail for refusing to give up \$12,000 worth of art goods. The complainant is Maurice Gesandheit, American agent of the firm of Gesandheit & Blattman, of Manchester, England.

About a month ago Gesandheit brought to this country a consignment of art goods, rare bric-a-brac and odd furniture. He placed the goods in the Columbia Art Rooms, No. 306 Fifth avenue. Gesandheit's lawyer, David Neumark, of 233 Broadway, found that the place was already carrying two mortgages of \$8,500.

Gesandheit began replevin proceedings, but the Sheriff required a bond of \$20,000. He then went to Magistrate Cornell, but the Magistrate refused to interfere, as Harrell claimed a lien on the goods for his trouble and expense. Then he went before Justice Lawrence, of the Supreme Court, and got an order of arrest. Bail was fixed at \$20,000, which Harrell could not furnish, so he was locked up in Ludlow Street Jail.

Harrell's troubles seem to increase with each day. His art rooms will be sold under order of the Supreme Court. One of his clerks, Huber, has attached the furniture in Harrell's real estate office, No. 101 Fifth avenue, for salary.

DEPEW ON THE VANDERBILTS

He Says William K. is a Substitute for Cornelius During Illness.

In relation to the reported abdication of Cornelius Vanderbilt from the control of the railroads in the Vanderbilt system, President Chamber M. Depew, of the New York Central, yesterday issued the following statement:

"Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt is improving every day in health. He is not attending to the practical details of the vast business of the railroads, with which he is identified, and will not until he fully recovers. He is in touch with the business, however, and has full knowledge of all important matters connected with it as they arise.

"There are the most cordial and confidential relations between the brothers, Cornelius and William K. Vanderbilt, as there have always been. William K. has done whatever has been necessary in the management of the roads since his brother's illness, and he will continue to represent the Vanderbilt interests until his brother has fully recovered.

"Cornelius Vanderbilt, his family and friends believe, with the rest and freedom from care he is now enjoying, will in due time fully recover and resume his former position, not only in business, but in the charitable and religious work in which he has been so active and efficient."

DU MAURIER'S BIG ESTATE.

Author of "Trilby," Left a Fortune of Almost
a Quarter of a Million.

London, Nov. 19.—The personal estate left by George Du Maurier, the famous artist-author, amounts to £47,380. Three executors are named, the chief of whom is Du Maurier's son, Captain Guy Du Maurier.

While it was known that the author of "Trilby" made a great deal of money, the amount of his estate surprises even some of his most intimate friends.

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LEE POKES FUN.

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stade her soldier, to remain in the field without pay. Even were the war to cease now it would take five years and the investment of \$100,000,000 of new capital to restore the island to the condition it was in at the beginning of the war.

My Account for Activity.

There is a general feeling that the Spanish Government has been acquainted with the substance of General Lee's report, and that it is to be attributed General Weyler's recent activity. The fact that the report was taken to mean that the Ministry found it impossible to float it abroad, as had been the previous custom.

There is also a strong suspicion that when they are called upon to pay up, not a few of the Spaniards will be found to have subscribed with more patriotic enthusiasm than solid cash.

Thinks Weyler is Whipped.

St. Louis, Nov. 19.—"As I see it, General Weyler is a beaten man. It is time for him to resign," said General O. O. Howard, ex-commanding general of the United States Army, who expects the Cuban revolution to be successful. He was asked:

"Well, no," replied the General. "I mean the end so far as Weyler is concerned. My view of the Cuban war is simply this: It is a question of finance, not of fighting. Spain is big enough to crush every Cuban insurrection as well as every insurgent in Cuba, if she can raise the money to pay and provision the troops required."

"But Spain has a mighty big job on her hands. It has already been clearly proven that the Cubans are greater fighters, greater strategists and a greater people. Spain needs a good many more troops to whip the Cuban soldiers. Whether she can raise enough money to pay enough men is something about which all the world is guessing."

"War in Cuba cannot be judged by the standard in any other country. Cuba has peculiar topography. It is a country of skirrels and forage, not of battle. Cubans can never force equal numbers into a general engagement. Cuban warfare is a trade of tricks, traps and treachery."

General Howard declined to express an opinion as to whether the United States should interfere on behalf of Cuban insurgents, but he said, "I think there is a feeling that way."

BERMUDA SAILS TO-DAY.

Ostensibly Bound for Halifax, but Final Destination Believed to Be Cuba.

Spanish spies hung about Pinto's Stores, in Brooklyn, all day yesterday looking at the steamer Bermuda and wondering what she was going to do next. Her shipper, Captain William Kellard Scott, in the meantime, was busy in New York hunting for a provisional resident. He found one at the office of Perry Sanderson, the British Consul-General. In the afternoon, supplied with this and with clearance papers, which Captain Scott acquired later, he will sail for Bermuda at 6 o'clock this morning—ostensibly for Halifax.

The Spanish authorities are convinced that the Bermuda is going to Cuba im-

mediately after taking aboard a heavy load of arms and ammunition for the insurgents. Already she is loaded with what Chief Stewart Wild says are ship's stores. These are of so great a quantity and are put up in such peculiar looking packages that when the Custom House inspectors visited the steamer yesterday and declared themselves satisfied that the business of the Bermuda was legitimate, the Spanish spies sadly shook their heads.

Captain O'Brien, better known as "Dynamite Johnnie," went to Boston on Wednesday on board the tramp steamer Holywood, which set out from the Atlantic dock as early as 5 o'clock in the morning. Previous to Wednesday O'Brien was seen at the Cuban Junta, in New Street, every day for weeks. It is believed that he will join the Bermuda.

The crew of the Bermuda consists of twenty-three men, including the captain, Jones and Collins, of No. 54 Pearl street, furnished the men yesterday. Mr. Jones said that he booked his men for Halifax and was not responsible if they happened one day to find themselves lugging the rocky coast of Southern Cuba. He wouldn't say, however, that he thought the Bermuda was going to Cuba.

WEYLER IS NEAR MACEO.

But the Spanish General is in a Town and
His Cuban Adversary is Camped
in the Hills.

Madrid, Nov. 19.—A dispatch to the Imperial from Havana says that Captain General Weyler has reached the town of San Cristobal, about fourteen leagues northeast of the city of Pinar del Rio, and about midway between that city and Havana.

Maceo's headquarters are said to be in the hills between San Cristobal and Cayahoe.

Official dispatches from Havana say that the insurgents are rapidly becoming demoralized through want of provisions and their incessant pursuit by General Weyler. Maceo's forces are dwindling by reason of constant desertions, and Maceo is seeking to conceal himself in the Province of Pinar del Rio.

A dispatch to the Imperial from Havana says that the state of the country may be gauged by the fact that there are no longer any neutral inhabitants in the districts where military operations are proceeding. Only combatants are to be found.

Dryan Captures South Dakota.

Aberdeen, S. D., Nov. 19.—Official returns are now in from all the counties in this State. They show the election by the trustees of Congressmen, Electors, Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Attorney-General, Auditor and Railway Commissioners by a plurality running from 107 to over 2,000. The plurality for electors is 101. The plurality for the State Treasurer by the small majority of two votes, and State Superintendent and Secretary of State each by less than 100.

Cuban Electrical Torpedo a Hoax.

The published story to the effect that Cubans had been perfecting a big electrical torpedo at A. S. Nichols's place, at Jack Rock, on the Sound, between Hartlow and City Island, proves to be untrue. The fact is that two weeks ago Fred Holstein and a Mr. Niemann obtained Mr. Nichols's permission to use his bathhouse in constructing a model for an electrical launch. They built one and fired it with power and propellers, but it failed to meet their expectations, and on Friday they abandoned their experiment.

TRADE MENAGED.

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a case of tobacco from a shipper on the warehouse receipt, as is the custom in trade, he may find his purchase tied up for a year or more by a simple notice not even attested by a notary public. The result, if the law is not declared unconstitutional or quickly repealed, will be, so business men say, that shippers will no longer be able to obtain loans on warehouse receipts. Without loans they will be unable to move the crops, and one of the most convenient methods of business will be upset.

And then, too, it has been pointed out: there are a world of opportunities in the law for men who may deliberately start out to corner some article, be it grain or what not. After buying all they can they can have henchmen file notices that will tie up the contents of warehouses not covered, and so be in a position to force the price of the article at will. From a day's delay would be valuable under possible conditions, and the law is so framed as to make delays indefinite.

It is claimed by lawyers that the act is unconstitutional, because it virtually takes away the right of trial by jury. A judge must decide who is the rightful owner of the goods in question, and the only evidence before him would be the affidavits of the parties interested. There are no opportunities for cross-examination in such proceedings, the practice being the same as in Supreme Court Chambers.

Under former conditions the title of goods in storage warehouses could be disposed of only if the transaction was with the holder of the warehouse receipt, and then in an act of replevin. The regular course was for the claimant to get an order for the goods, to seize the goods and protect him with a bond. The other party had three days to file a counter bond of double the value of the goods. He was then restored possession of his goods, and the bonds stood. The requirement of bonds prevented actions by irresponsible parties.

Warehousemen who were told of the law yesterday were amazed. Manager Douglas, of the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad Elevator, with offices at No. 3 Beaver street, said: "If the most absurd act that ever went through the Legislature, if allowed to stand it will entirely upset the present method of doing business."

ACTRESS FAINTS IN COURT.

Miss Kate Davis Unequal to the Strain of Supplementary Proceedings.

Kate Davis, the actress who made a hit in "Miss Helyett," while being examined in supplementary proceedings in the Supreme Court yesterday, upon a judgment filed against her for \$892.46, by Playwright David Belasco and Manager Charles Frohman, fainted away.

Miss Davis sued Belasco and Frohman to recover \$2,800 for breach of contract. The matter went before a referee, and was decided against her, she being required to pay the costs, the amount of the judgment against her.

Miss Davis testified that she lived at No. 735 Eighth avenue, and had been on the stage eleven years. She said she had no property except some wearing apparel of little value.

"Have you any jewelry?" she was asked.

"No," was the sad reply, "although I once had a diamond ring." It was after this that she fainted, and the examination was adjourned until November 25.

PETERS CRAISES ACTORS.

The Clergyman Declares Their Society Is
the Bridge Between the Stage
and the Church.

The actors spoke a few lines for themselves yesterday afternoon at the Broadway Theatre. It was a serious matter with them, but still there was a comical element. Rev. Madison C. Peters furnished that. The occasion was the first meeting of the Actors' Society of America, which was organized two years ago under the laws of this State, and now has one thousand members.

Joseph Jefferson sent a letter containing a check for \$100. President Cleveland and President-elect McKinley, by their private secretaries, sent messages of good will toward the organization.

Rev. Madison C. Peters said that when he received his invitation to be present he experienced the emotions of the Irishman who was enraptured by a request to have a drink. "He thought he heard an angel speak." He believed this society was the natural bridge that would one day connect the stage and the church. He wanted to see for his brother clergymen who had spoken harshly of actors as a class that they had never seen a good play.

James A. Herne delivered a characteristic address on the rights and wrongs of labor, and Louis Albritch gave the actors a sharp talk on the necessity of business methods in their relations with managers. William A. Brady wanted managers admitted to the society.

Mrs. Clara Fisher Maeder, at the age of eighty-five, sat in a state box and kissed her hand at President Malone when his eloquence respecting the love in which she was held in the theatrical profession had moved many to tears. The meeting closed with the adoption of a resolution favoring a subscription to erect a monument to the celebrated comedian, William E. Burton, whose remains rest in St. John's Park, on the Hudson.

DOG TOLD OF HIS DEATH.

Artist J. Nat Hutchins Found Dead in His
Room Through the Action of His
Bull Terrier.

J. Nat Hutchins, a young artist, was found dead yesterday morning in his room in the boarding house of Mrs. Susan Briggs, at No. 10 East Seventeenth street. Cerebral Palsy, which was diagnosed by Dr. H. N. Hutchins, of Atlanta, Ga., will be sent to that city for burial.

Mr. Hutchins's bull terrier dog gave the notice of the death of his master. The dog slept in the room. Shortly after 10 o'clock a servant heard the dog scratching on the door. Thinking Mr. Hutchins had gone to breakfast and locked the door in, she opened the door. On a rug in the center of the room she saw Hutchins lying dead in a pool of blood. She ran screaming to the street.

Mr. Hutchins was twenty-nine years of age and was connected with the best families in Atlanta. He had been in New York intermittently for twelve years, and was at one time instructor in architecture at Cornell College. He had a reputation as an excellent water color artist, as well as an expert in architectural drawing. Only last week his grandfather died and left him considerable money.

A few days before his death Mr. Hutchins completed a water color drawing of the room in which he died, his pet dog forming a prominent figure in the picture. The dog was found on the rug immediately in front of the couch upon which the dog is depicted as resting.

East Newark's New School.

Arlington, N. J., Nov. 19.—The East Newark Board of Education on Wednesday night accepted the new school building erected by Architect J. B. Warren, and as soon as the contractors are through with the grading of New street, at one side of the new structure, the stone school will be formally opened by the Borough Council.

Attachment Was Not Served.
John H. Murphy, counsel for Lawrence B. Lynch, a lumber dealer, obtained an attachment yesterday against the New Imperial Opera Company, of which Colonel Napoleon is director, for \$500 for lumber supplied to the company for the manufacture of scenery. E. G. O'Hara, manager of the academy of music gave a check for the amount, and the attachment was not served on Colonel Napoleon.

FATHER COURTED HIS SON'S BRIDE.

And the Marriage Was Begun
When the Young
Man Appeared.

Then the Girl Gave a Scream
and Promptly Fell into the
Newcomer's Arms.

He Carried Her Off, Leaving the Minis-
ter and the Wedding Guests
Dumbfounded.

HAD GONE AWAY FOR A DIVORCE.

It Was While Waiting for Young Reckling-
hausen to Secure Matrimonial Free-
dom the Bride Accepted the
Father's Suit.

Geneva, N.Y., Nov. 19.—"Henry, I've taken your bride. You don't care, do you?" With these words Arnold Recklinghausen greeted his son when the latter returned home last night after a month's absence. Henry did care, as the sequel shows.

A few years ago Henry Recklinghausen was married, but he and his wife did not live happily together. Within a few months they separated by mutual consent. Since then Henry has been living with his father, who is reputed to be the wealthiest German in Geneva.

Henry became infatuated with Johanna Black, a comely German girl, several months ago. He courted her openly, and it was generally understood by the friends of both parties that the two would wed as soon as the young man obtained a divorce from his wife. It was to secure evidence which would aid him in this suit that Henry left Geneva shortly after the death of his mother, six weeks ago.

SOLICITED THE WIDOWER.

With his son away, Widower Recklinghausen sought solace from Johanna, receiving her sympathy, he quickly forgot his grief. Johanna, for a time, at least, transferred her affections from son to father. The transfer was so complete that she agreed to marry Recklinghausen senior. It was mutually agreed between the two to have the marriage ceremony performed last night.

That it was not was neither the fault of the bride-elect nor of her elderly lover. It was due entirely to Henry, who returned unexpectedly to Geneva, and entered his father's house at the very moment that Rev. Mr. Burkhardt, of the German Church, was about to begin the marriage service. Upon receiving Henry, the girl gave a scream and turned so that she fell fainting into the young man's arms. Widower Recklinghausen was the first to recover his speech, and, turning to his son, he briefly explained the situation.

Henry left the house, taking Johanna with him. There were about forty guests present, but they quickly departed with the clergyman.

Tollgate Mobs Threaten Death.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 19.—Tollgate mobs last night chopped down and destroyed the gateway of the ten tunnels that lead into the city. These were fifteen or twenty men in all, going that did the work. All were armed, some with shotguns, others with revolvers. They threatened the gatekeepers with death, if any more tolls were collected.

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